

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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ATLANTA FEDERAL CENTER
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ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303-8960

November 18, 2019

## URGENT LEGAL MATTER PROMPT REPLY NECESSARY VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Mr. Han Sunoo Montco Research Products, Inc. 501 Ocean Forest Drive St. Augustine, Florida 32080

Re: Access to Montco Research Products Site located at 209 Janice Drive, Palatka, Florida

32177, also known as Hollister, Florida 32147

Dear Mr. Sunoo:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") is investigating the release or threat of release of hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants at the Montco Research Products Site located at 209 Janice Drive, Palatka, Florida 32177, also known as Hollister, Florida 32147 ("Site"). Pursuant to EPA's mandate to protect human health and the environment, EPA requests that you, as the owner of the property and the registered agent and the President and Director of the operator, Montco Research Products, Inc., grant EPA access to the Site, to conduct removal activities.

It is EPA's understanding that you have agreed to meet with EPA and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection ("FDEP") on Wednesday, November 20, 2019, and you have authorized access to the Site. Accordingly, EPA's On-Scene Coordinator, Courtney Swanson, and Pamela Cosgrove with FDEP will visit the Site on November 20, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. EPA anticipates that removal activities will commence on this date and will continue until the removal action is complete. Please note that actual start and completion dates cannot be predicted with certainty and are subject to schedule conflicts and unforeseen circumstances. In anticipation of EPA's upcoming Site visit on November 20, 2019, please indicate consent to grant access to EPA to conduct the removal activities at the Site by completing and signing the enclosed authorization. Please return the original authorization to the On-Scene Coordinator, Courtney Swanson, in person at the Site on Wednesday, November 20, 2019.

Pursuant to Section 104(e) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 ("CERCLA" or "Superfund"), 42 U.S.C. § 9604(e), EPA has the express authority to acquire access to property affected by hazardous substances and to conduct removal actions. If a request for access is denied, an administrative order directing compliance with the request may be issued, civil action to compel compliance may be initiated, or access may be sought by any other lawful means.

If you should have any legal questions, please contact me at (404) 562-9522. If you have any technical questions regarding removal actions at the Site, please contact the On-Scene Coordinator, Courtney Swanson, at (404) 562-8753. Your assistance and cooperation are appreciated.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Regional Counsel

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Enclosure:

Access Authorization

## ACCESS AUTHORIZATION

- 1. I, Han Sunoo, am the owner of the real property located at 209 Janice Drive, Palatka, Putnam County, Florida 32177, also known as Hollister, Florida 32147 ("Site") and the registered agent and President and Director of the operator, Montco Research Products, Inc., located at the Site and as such I have the authority to sign this access authorization.
- 2. I grant authorization to the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), its officers, employees, contractors and other authorized representatives to enter the Site comprising approximately 31.71 acres as depicted in "Exhibit A," which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference. This access authorization allows EPA, its officers, employees, contractors and other authorized representatives to have access to the Site to conduct sampling, investigations, environmental assessment, and all removal activities. EPA's activities at the Site may include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - Taking such soil, surface water, groundwater, and/or air samples as may be determined to be necessary;
  - b. Sampling any solids and/or liquids stored and/or disposed of on-site;
  - Taking other actions related to the investigation of surface and/or subsurface contamination;
  - Transporting equipment onto and about the Site as necessary to accomplish the above activities;
  - e. Inspecting, sketching, photographing and/or videotaping the Site;
  - f. Inspecting and copying all documents relating to the generation, treatment, storage, disposal and/or source of hazardous substances at the Site;
  - g. Inspecting and copying all documents related to the operations of Montco Research Products, Inc.;
  - Removing and disposing of all waste oils, liquids, and/or solids stored and disposed
    of on-site that contain any listed hazardous substances and/or is determined to be
    hazardous by characteristic;
  - i. Restricting public access;
  - j. Demolishing and removing any tanks, drums, and other miscellaneous containers;
  - k. Demolishing any structures on the Site that may pose any health and/or safety risk to the neighboring community; and,
  - 1. Excavating, removing, transporting, and/or disposing of contaminated soils.

- 3. The consent for access and use granted herein will commence on Wednesday, November 20, 2019, and will continue until the removal action is complete.
- 4. I have been notified that these actions by EPA are undertaken pursuant to EPA's response authority under Section 104(a) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act ("CERCLA" or "Superfund"), 42 U.S.C. § 9604(a).
- 5. I have been notified that parties found responsible pursuant to Section 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C.§ 9607(a), may be liable for all costs EPA incurs in connection with the response which are not inconsistent with the National Contingency Plan ("NCP"), at 40 CFR Part 300.
- 6. My signature on this Access Authorization does not constitute an admission of liability under Section 107(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9607(a).
- 7. I have been notified that this signed and dated Access Authorization should be returned to:

Courtney Swanson, On-Scene Coordinator
Emergency Response, Removal, Prevention & Preparedness Branch
Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4
Sam Nunn Atlanta Federal Center
61 Forsyth Street, S.W.
Atlanta, GA 30303

Date:	
Printed Name:	Han Sunoo
Signature: Title:	Provident and Director
Company Name:	President and Director  Montco Research Products, Inc.
Address:	209 Janice Drive, Palatka, Florida 32177
Mailing Address:	
Telephone:	:

## **EXHIBIT A**

